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GLOBULAR PROTEIN, PROTEIN THUS  
PREPARED, USE THEREOF AND  
PRODUCTS CONTAINING THE PROTEIN**  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Abstract** begin on page 10 of this paper.

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